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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We need to encourage local competition to keep service levels high and prices reasonable. Why you would go the other way is beyond me, other than payback for all the campaign contributions that the large telecom companies have been giving to members of Congress. Please do something in the best interest of Americans instead of corporations this time.

Thanks,

Ken Whiteman